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## SEMO downs Eastern

Otahkians win in 11th inning off a wild pitch

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# Campus times, now they are a'changing

♦ *Campus Change Party  
sweeps Student Government  
elections Wednesday*

Caleb Judy introduced himself for the last couple of weeks as "your future Student Body President."

After Wednesday's results named him the winner, he can now give a more definitive title. Judy, of the Campus Change ticket, received 935 votes, defeating Students' Voice Amy Leonard's 523 votes and Independent Bud Wierenga's 284 votes.

"You mean my optimism," Judy said when asked why he had proclaimed his future title weeks before the election began. "I've done a lot with University Board, been a presence, and a lot of students know what I can do."

"I have been very confident."

Judy attributed his victory to organization, well-researched campaign stances and hitting all the stops on campus.

"Golf carts, candy, anything to get people to vote," he said. "We didn't want to fool people though, just to get them out to vote."

Leonard, however, thought some of Judy's tactics were political violations.

"I thought the campaign went in the wrong direction," she said. "I thought it was dirty politics from the people in charge, the people running and working at ballot boxes."

"I thought the way it was run was an injustice to students."

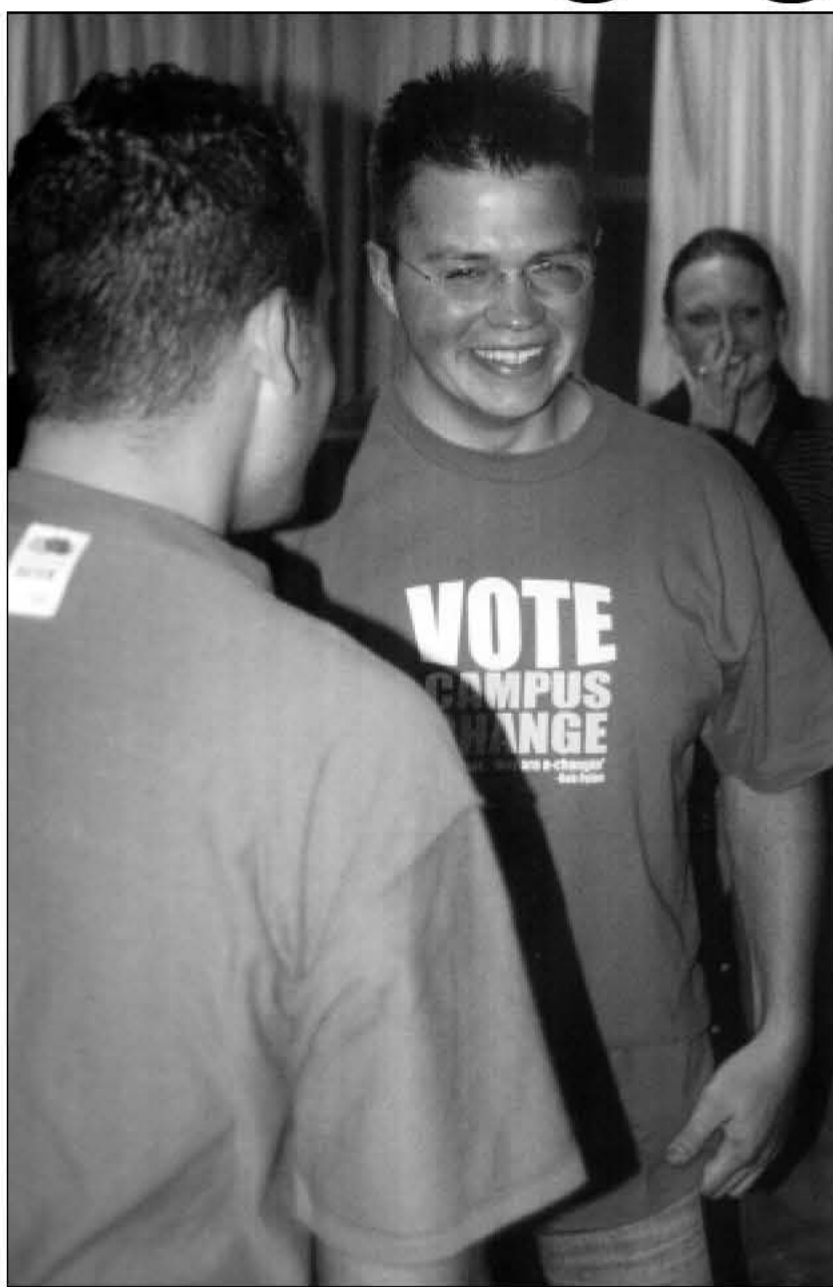
Leonard gave three instances of rule infractions: the first, a person working at one of the ballot boxes was wearing a Campus Change T-shirt; the second, political slogans written on the windows; and the last, a sign posted 25 feet away from a voting booth in Carman — rules state no campaign slogans can be placed within 100 feet of a polling place.

Judy confirmed the T-shirt incident, and said once he found out, he ordered the person to change. The other two incidents could not be confirmed.

"If it went on (and I saw it), then they were taken down," Judy said. "It's not something where we went and intentionally broke rules."

"I had lots of help out there, and maybe they were not aware of rules and regulations. If I did not articulate to them, then that is my fault."

Leonard said she did not want to sound bitter, but she wanted to be completely honest. She said the election should have been based on leadership and experience, not who is



DANIEL WILLIAMS/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Caleb Judy smiles after being named student body president Wednesday evening in the Arcola/Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

friends with who and who is in what fraternity and sorority.

"I think it's pathetic that it was a popularity contest," she said. "It was like high school again, prom king and queen."

Judy said because Campus Change did not run opposition to vice president for academic affairs, Amanda Sartore is evidence he did not select his party members based on their popularity. He said if Campus Change

would have ran opposition, the candidate would have won, but he thought Sartore was the best person for the position.

Before he announced his candidacy, Judy said Leonard was the only person running. Originally, Executive Vice President candidate Bill Davidson and Student Vice President for Student

affairs candidate were on Leonard's

## Merging state groups to save \$2.1 million

By Carly Mullady  
CITY EDITOR

The Liquor Control Commission, sponsor of Project 21, has been joined with the Department of Revenue as part of a \$2.1 million budget-reducing plan in Gov. Rod Blagojevich's 2003-2004 Fiscal Year budget.

"The Department of the Lottery, the Illinois Racing Board and the Liquor Control Commission, will be consolidated with the Department of Revenue saving an additional \$2.1 million," Blagojevich said in his April 9 budget address.

Project 21, which was implemented in Charleston in 2001, is a state-sponsored program designed to prevent alcohol-related problems throughout Illinois.

Marty Ruhaak, student executive vice president of public affairs, said the merge would entitle budget cuts, but he was unsure if Project 21 would be affected.

"Since it is newer I don't know if it will be considered expendable," Ruhaak said. "It might be immune."

Marie O'Brien of the Liquor Control Commission said Project 21 will not see loss of funding from the merge.

In fact, O'Brien said the commission hopes to spread the project to more Illinois counties next year.

Since Project 21 began, informative seminars and programs have been implemented in 68 counties. O'Brien said the group has hopes to spread the program to all 102 counties.

An important purpose of Project 21 is to prevent underage drinking, therefore preventing underage drinking-caused accidents, injuries and deaths.

O'Brien noted in 2001, the lives of 1,500 minors were lost because of alcohol-related incidents, not counting vehicular accidents.

"It is not social drinking, they are drinking to get drunk and making bad decisions," she said.

Project 21 was designed by the commission to increase training for dealing with alcohol sales and prevent alcohol service to minors.

"There are a lot of misconceptions," O'Brien said. "Project 21 is meant to be for training and educating the liquor industry."

O'Brien said liquor sales is one of very few careers where the seller is hired one day and put out to sell alcohol the next day. Liquor sales is a career that requires no training.

The program is a "collaborative effort with the Illinois State Police for age compliance checks," O'Brien said.

Bigger counties with higher population density and university communities were a focus for the program.

"Coles county is one of the target areas," she said.

Studies were done, analyzing the number of minors being served alcohol.

Statewide age-compliance tests showed a 57 percent rate of failure for Coles County from 1998-2001.

"Since Project 21 was implemented in Coles County in 2001, the failure rate has dropped 20 percent," O'Brien said.

Coles County has now fallen to a lower failure rate than Cook, Lake and DuPage counties, whose average failure rates are about 44 percent.

O'Brien said she hopes the success of Coles County and others will spread as Project 21 spreads to the remaining counties.

Project 21 will continue spreading information to fight the "battle to keep alcohol out of the hands of minors," she said.

## Administration: University stands behind acting UPD chief

By Tim Martin  
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

The university stands behind acting University Police Department Chief Adam Due, while stating it's "extremely disappointed" with representatives from the Fraternal Order of Police.

The order, which issued a press release to media outlets Friday, outlined numerous problems it had with Due. In reply, the university issued a press release that stated: "The administration genuinely respects all of the Eastern Illinois University police officers and act-

ing Police Chief Adam Due."

Bob Wayland, director of employee and labor relations, said the fraternal order's decision to use the media to discuss potential collective bargaining matters is inconsistent with normal practice.

"They are required by law to bring those issues to the bargaining table, but they have chosen to go out to the general public without discussing this," Wayland said. "We're extremely disappointed."

On March 3, officials of the fraternal order notified the university they wished to open the current

collective bargaining agreement to negotiate a successor agreement, the press release stated.

Wayland said negotiations with the fraternal order had not taken place in more than a year and a set date has not been created.

"We have a labor agreement with them," he said. "They have opened labor discussions for a new contract. That is where we should be discussing those issues."

The fraternal order's press release stated police morale was at "an all-time low" and "the pot was ready to boil over." In two meetings over the past year and half,

one question was posed at each meeting: "Please indicate your confidence in the current chief."

Some 17 of the 18 UPD officers voted they had "no confidence" in Due Jan. 7, 2002, 13 members voted "no confidence" April 3 and two members voted they have confidence in Due, stated another fraternal order press release.

Wayland said he's not sure he can trust those numbers.

"I do know many of the officers personally, and many of them don't agree with it," he said.

Three UPD officers did not submit a ballot for the April 3 vote.

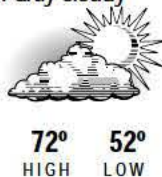
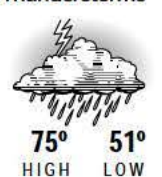
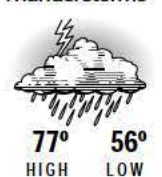
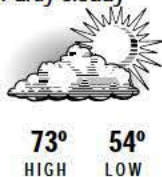
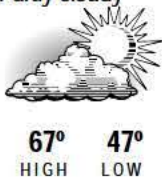
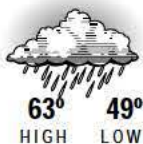
Due and multiple UPD officers declined comment Wednesday.

"You'll be hard pressed to have any officer talk to you," one UPD officer said before declining further comment.

The fraternal order press release Friday cited three reasons for the frustrations: officer safety, interdepartmental communications and attitude/interpersonal relations. In a separate press release received by *The Daily Eastern News* Tuesday, specific examples were cited.

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# RHA to propose air conditioning

◆ Last business meeting will ask for cooling system in Weller Hall

By Lea Erwin  
STAFF WRITER

The Residence Hall Association will hold its last business meeting of the school year at 5 p.m. Thursday in Andrews Hall.

The top item on the agenda is a proposal to make improvements to Weller Hall for the 2003-2004 school year.

"Weller was built as a temporary housing unit in the beginning, therefore it wasn't built with air conditioning," said RHA president Stina Heldmann. "And (we) would like to provide them with air-conditioning for the next year."

The proposal to bring air conditioning to Weller Hall opposes the Housing and Dining Services master plan calling for the

removal of the residence hall.

The master plan lists improvements needed to be accomplished in the next five to 10 years.

The RHA also will discuss its opinions on the future of certain University Apartments following a presentation by Mark Hudson, director of Housing and Dining Services.

The apartments are located behind Wesley Church across from Lawson Hall.

In other business, the Douglas Hall Council will propose making the second floor a non-smoking floor for the 2004-2005 school year.

"Hall Council is in favor of (the implementation of a non-smoking floor) and they are going to bring it to RHA to see if we support it," Heldmann said.

Recycling Coordinator Alan Rathe also will attend the meeting and give a brief informational of the recycling program.

# Law practice, politics are subject of forum

By Kelly Schumacher  
STAFF WRITER

A guest speakers forum sponsored by Eastern's pre-law society will provide students with information about law practices and politics.

The society, Phi Alpha Delta, invited several politicians to speak at the event.

The speakers include Bill Tapella, head of the Democratic Party of Coles County; Mitch Shick, newly elected judge of Judicial Circuit number five; and Rep. Chapin Rose, D-Charleston.

Ken Bauer, publications officer for the organization, said Phi Alpha Delta is new here at Eastern.

Eastern's old pre-law society, Sigma Iota Lambda, was not a national organization, Bauer said.

"There aren't many schools in Illinois that don't have Phi Alpha Delta," Bauer said. "If we weren't the last (to have a chapter), we were one of the last."

Bauer said Phi Alpha Delta is the largest law related society in the country, second only to the American Bar Association.

The forum is expected to provide a realistic view into the connection between a Juris Doctorate, the degree one receives after graduating from law school, and a successful career in politics.

The Phi Alpha Delta society is "the least expensive part of law school," and it is inviting all students to "come see how we can help you prepare," a press release stated.

"It brings people with real law experience," Bauer said.

The speeches will begin Thursday at 6 p.m. in room 2020 of Lumpkin Hall and will run until 7:30 p.m.

The chapter of Phi Alpha Delta will be inducted into the national organization in a ceremony immediately following the speakers. The ceremony, which is closed to the public, will be held the in 1895 Room of the Martin



COLIN MCAULIFFE/PHOTO EDITOR

Kimberly Searcy, a junior speech communication major; Cassandra Cherry, a junior finance major; and Jennifer Walton, a senior speech communication major lead the AIDS Awareness March past Coleman Hall toward the Union Wednesday afternoon.

# Students march for AIDS awareness

◆ Event expected to take place annually

By Crystal Muzik  
STAFF WRITER

Almost 35,000 people in Illinois are living with HIV and AIDS.

Delta Sigma Theta sorority, a public service organization, put on its first AIDS Awareness March Wednesday. Tiffany Lacy, president, said the march was an idea to help the Charleston area and Eastern students become more aware of the current AIDS problem around the world.

The group met on the South end of campus, passed out red ribbons and marched toward the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. Art major Jennifer Price, made a

casket that was carried throughout the march. As the group marched, some chanted, "Protect yourself - wrap it up."

Shanita Kelly, a junior family and consumer sciences major, said the march was a positive thing, but she wished more people attended.

Later, everyone took their seats in the Union for a mock funeral.

An obituary was read about a 21-year-old student who died of AIDS. Roy Lanham followed with the eulogy, stating it is a person's responsibility to always do the right thing. Only one bad choice can ruin someone's life, Lanham said.

Nicole Hodges, a psychology major, sang and then everyone lined up to look inside the casket. Instead of finding a body, a mirror was placed inside.

"The whole visual with the cas-

"The whole visual with the casket made you think that one day that could be you."

—Thomas Yancey

ket made you think that one day that could be you," said Thomas Yancey, a junior computer information major.

Members of Delta Sigma Theta handed out free condoms.

"This is an event that should be annual," said Keila Lacy, a junior family and consumer sciences major. "It is very important, and should be bigger each year."

# CAA to examine military leave policies, business class revisions

By Dan Renick  
STAFF WRITER

Students withdrawing for military service and revisions to the Lumpkin College of Business will be discussed by the Council of Academic Affairs Thursday.

In response to the conflict in Iraq, the CAA will look at the policies concerning students in the armed forces. Students called away for military service will be offered several options by the university.

If a student is called away from school before he or she is able to

complete the semester, he or she will be offered tuition and housing refunds. If a student withdrawals during the last three weeks of classes, full credit will be awarded.

The CAA will discuss the proposed changes brought up for the management curriculum and admissions into the accounting program.

Accounting admissions deal with applicants who do not satisfy the grade requirements of the program. The program wishes to drop the probationary status of students admitted with a GPA lower than 2.75.

The Lumpkin Curriculum

Committee wants to make changes for students repeating classes they did not pass. The committee also wants to add Special Topics in Management, MGT 4700, to the list of electives for management majors.

The CAA also plans to start preliminary steps toward revisions in the number of lab hours awarded to students.

Students' concerns about failing to receive proper credit for lab hours in some classes also is on the agenda.

The CAA meets at 2 p.m. in the Tuscola-Arcola Room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

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# SARS discussed at Eastern

By Rob Ebsen  
STAFF WRITER

The Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome epidemic, the conflict in Iraq and overpopulation in China were a few of the topics discussed by a Chinese diplomat and state representatives Wednesday night.

Zhijian Jin, the event's principal speaker, is a consul of the People's Republic of China in Chicago. He discussed in his presentation, entitled "The Recent Developments in the People's Republic," the political reform and economic growth of China within the last decade.

Zhijian was joined on stage by the state's new Director of Agriculture, Charles Hartke, D-Effingham and Rep. Chapin Rose, R-Charleston. Hartke and Rose gave the Illinois perspective on Zhijian's speech.

Zhijian's report listed many changes taken place to improve China for its people. Zhijian stated China has become a socialist market economy, and the country is doing a lot of business with the rest of the world, especially the United States.

Zhijian also spoke of changes providing more freedoms for approximately 1.3 billion people of the country. He said within the last decade the people of China have gained more freedom to speak and express themselves as well as more religious freedoms.

China has recently improved its health care, legal system and education. Zhijian said there are twice as many higher-learning institutions in China as there were in 1978.

Although Zhijian spoke primarily about China's strides to improve the country, he did also mention some problems still face the nation. Zhijian said there are still environmental issues in the country, there is a need for higher employment rates in cities

and that overpopulation of the country is still a big problem.

Zhijian concluded his presentation by addressing the SARS issue. He said SARS is a new disease China is still learning about, and they are not alone in fighting it. SARS has now spread to 20 countries worldwide, but the highest number of incidents have occurred in China.

Zhijian said China's government is very concerned with stopping the spread of the virus.

"China will make every effort to stop SARS from spreading," said Zhijian. "We are confident we will find a method to control SARS."

After Zhijian's speech, Hartke said he was very impressed with how the Chinese government is handling the situation given the incredibly dense population. Hartke visited China four times and agreed with the majority of what Zhijian said. Hartke said he noticed China has made many positive strides as a country within the last decade.

Zhijian, Hartke and Rose took questions from the audience that ranged from the country's male-heavy population to the conflict with Iraq.

Zhijian told the audience China had a stance of diplomacy before the war, and now it seems like the fighting is coming to an end, China would like the United Nations to play a large role in the reconstruction of Iraq. He said China would focus on rebuilding the country and helping the Iraqi citizens as much as possible.

Zhijian also said China is also looking to peacefully resolve situations in North Korea and Taiwan.

"There is no question that Taiwan is part of China," Zhijian said. "But we will not use force to liberate Taiwan."



COLIN MCAULIFFE/PHOTO EDITOR

Zhijian Jin, counsel of China in Chicago, discusses China and global terrorism and answered questions about population regulations in China for students and faculty Wednesday afternoon in the Effingham Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

# Student body president keeps speech optimistic

By Jamie Fetty  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Student Body President Alison Mormino didn't dwell long on Eastern's financial troubles before commending fellow students' efforts toward unity this semester.

In her State of the University Address, Mormino rattled off a list of Student Government accomplishments such as Unity Week programming and lobbying in the Statehouse.

"Student Government has been more active this semester than the last," Mormino said, alluding to complaints that last semester's Student Senate only passed internal legislation.

"Members have been actively researching several new programs and implementing new policies around campus," she said.

Mormino applauded the work of University Board, whose chair, Caleb Judy, was named her successor later that evening. The UB has brought five major concerts to campus this school year, she said, enhancing the fabled "college experience."

Early in her address, Mormino promised she and Marty Ruhaak, student executive vice president, would continue to represent the students' interests when working with administrators on possible

tuition increases.

"Vice President Ruhaak and I will strive to keep students at Eastern in sincere consideration when making decisions in conjunction with the university administration and Board of Trustees," Mormino said.

Mormino didn't reserve her praise solely for students. She thanked the various administrators serving as Student Government advisers and Interim President Lou Hencken for "(keeping) students at the forefront of his decision-making."

Mormino's assessment of the state's budget woes focused on the sacrifices all its public universities will make, namely accommodating more students with less money, cutting back on air conditioning and sending tuition revenue to the state.

"It is unfortunate that in a state so lauded for education and teacher production, those very values are threatened with the current budget situation," Mormino said.

In her conclusion, Mormino left Student Government with encouraging words to face what she described as a challenging year ahead.

"Challenges await you, my friends," she said. "Please meet them with the best interests of students in the forefront of your decisions."

# Senate OKs technology fee

By N ki Jensen  
STUDENT GOVERNMENT EDITOR

The Student Senate voted 21-2 to approve a \$49.60 increase to the existing \$40 computer technology fee.

If passed by the Board of Trustees, the proposal will result in a new computer technology fee of \$89.60 per semester.

"Technology is absolutely imperative to the future of this institution, and the better our technology, the brighter our future," said student senate member George Lesica.

The motion passed following the decision last week to table, or postpone, discussion for further student input provided by network fee surveys.

Executive Vice President Marty Ruhaak said 1,050 students filled out surveys, a number he said represented "10 percent of the campus."

"We got a lot of student feedback," said Student Senate member Larry Ward.

Ruhaak said according to the survey results, 67 percent of students said they could afford the proposed \$48 network fee while 55 percent said they were willing to pay it.

The Student Senate voted in favor of increasing the Health and Accident Insurance fee by 4 percent.

The increase will raise the Health and Accident Insurance fee to \$69.20 from the current fee of \$66.50 per semester.

Jone Zieren, director of the Office of

Financial Aid, said "any students with nine or more (credit) hours are automatically billed" for the fee.

Ward, who approved the 4 percent increase Tuesday at the Tuition and Fee Review Committee, informed senate members "this is the only optional fee."

Students can choose to opt out of the fee if they can show equal or better health coverage with an outside provider, Ward said.

Despite this, Zieren said 82 percent of students did not choose to find another health care provider.

The Student Senate voted to further table and refer back to the Tuition and Fee Review Committee the recommendation that the textbook rental fee be increased by \$3.80 to a total of \$98.95.

The decision was made in order to ensure the accuracy of the student numbers given by Dan Klingenberg, director of textbook rental.

In new business, the Student Senate voted to table a proposal that \$400 be allocated from next year's student government budget for the printing of new shuttle bus schedules.

"Four hundred dollars will give us roughly about 4,000 schedules," said Brian Scios of the shuttle buss committee.

Student government elections results also were announced by Margie Tucker, executive director of the Student Elections Commission.

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### EDITORIAL

# Don't hold back the truth

Adam Due has been the university's acting police chief for nearly two years and the community has heard little about it.

Now, in April 2003, the Fraternal Order of Police is releasing information about no-confidence votes stemming from incidents as early as January 2002.

Why no action was taken when officers were complaining of failure to respond to safety issues and poor communication skills 15 months ago remains a mystery.

The first vote was backed by 17 of 18 officers.

It took until March 3, 2003 for the fraternal order's labor council to tell Eastern it wanted to open negotiations for Due's position.

On April 3, 13 officers backed a second complaint against Due.

University officers filed reports of radio batteries dying, burned-out flashlights and maintenance to police cruisers left uncomplete for a time, a summary of the April vote stated.

The campus has not been as safe as it could have been lately. An unprovoked attack sent English professor Bill Felts to the hospital. More recently, drywall in the new Health Services Building was vandalized, and the glass on the Thomas Hall entrances have been smashed for the second time this year.

These incidents are sometimes few and far between, but the last thing Eastern needs is the person in charge of campus safety helping make Eastern more unsafe.

We need officers who can actually use their radio. Maybe fewer doors will be smashed if officers are able to respond or simply hear, incoming calls.

A fraternal order press release Friday said morale was at an all-time low at the University Police Department.

Due said he didn't care about officer's family and personal lives, a summary of the officer's "no-confidence" vote said.

When one officer said the department was issuing a good amount of alcohol tickets, Due shut him down.

"Due stated he could teach a monkey to write tickets," a report stated. No wonder morale is low. But why was this the first anyone heard of it?

Officers should have gone public with their discontent rather than suffering in silence, compromising themselves and everyone who depends on them.

The editorial is the majority opinion of the Daily Eastern News editorial board.

### OPINION

# Health Service unhealthy?



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Everyone has heard the horror stories of Eastern's Health Service, or, as it is more affectionately named, "Health Circus."

Tales about men getting pregnancy tests, OTC cough syrup prescribed for pneumonia—these stories are familiar to many from the first day of freshman year. However, I have uncovered stories about Health Service that are no joke or urban legend. These stories are true, and while Health Services provide a great service to Eastern most of the time, there are major flaws that cannot be overlooked.

The first of these came to my attention when I interviewed a young woman who missed the first week of classes because she received a phone call telling her she had HPV. The doctor also told her she would have to have her cervix frozen and warts removed from the surface.

She also was given a long moral lecture on abstinence. Thankfully, the young woman went home to her doctor, a respected OB/GYN in the Chicago area. She was stunned when he informed her nothing was wrong.

He simply let her in on a few facts. Fact No. 1: HPV is not an STD. Eighty-five percent of Americans are carrying at least

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one strain, as it is highly contagious—HPV is spread by coughing, talking, and yes, sexual contact—but you usually contract it from your partner simply by being near them. Fact No. 2: There are over 200 strains, only 17 of which have been linked to cancer or warts. Fact No. 3: An incredible 99% of these strains go away on their own. Fact no.4: The strains can cause cervical warts or cancer.

The above scenario could have been avoided in two ways: one, if the doctor in question had even the most basic knowledge of the disease she was diagnosing. Unfortunately, the doctor in question was unaware of what HPV is, how it is contracted, or what effects it may or may not have on the body.

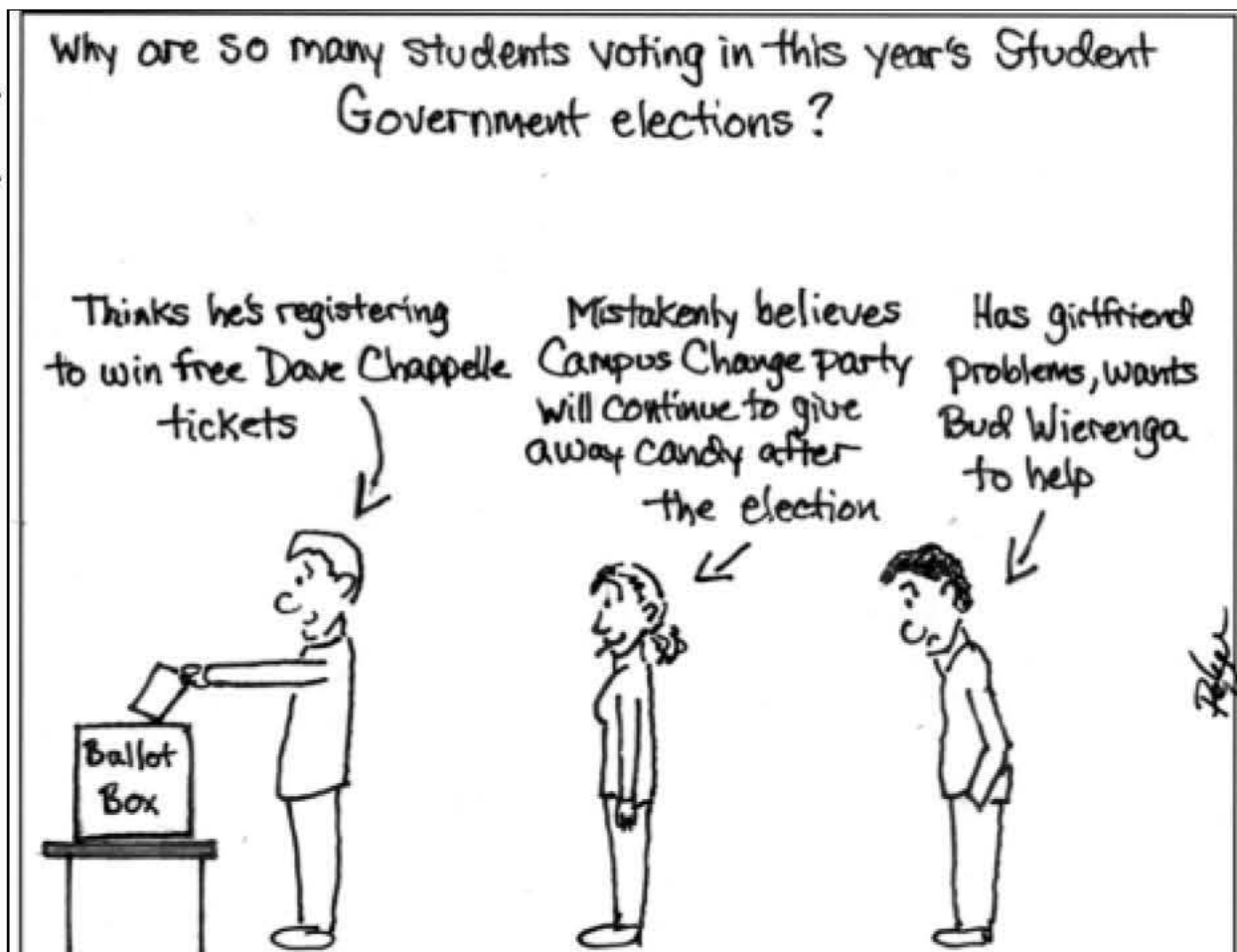
Two, the doctor's moral lectures were clearly a case of medicalization. A relatively new term, medicalization is defined by Our Bodies, Ourselves (1998) as "med-

ical professionals claiming expertise in matters never before considered medical." For example, when did it become a doctor's job to give you their personal view on abstinence? Doctors are trained to diagnose, not to preach.

But because patients—especially women—are taught to trust doctors from a young age, we see these judgments as scientific, sound medical advice. Consider this situation: another young woman spoke about her experience going to Health Services for a pregnancy test. The nurse practitioner first scoffed at her worry, then lectured her for not using protection. The young woman informed her she was raped and didn't have a choice. The nurse responded with, "Well, you should have made him wear a condom." She then informed the young woman "tests were eight dollars at Wal-Mart." Apparently, Health Service can lecture on abstinence and rapist control but not administer medical care to a sexual assault victim.

Again, Health Services is, overall, an asset to Eastern. However, through my research I've found that the way women patients are being "treated" there is horrifying. editor's note: Mesirov's column is based on interviews performed as part of a woman's studies course.

by Jeremy Pelzer



### YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Stronger budget advocates needed

The state of Illinois is unfortunately facing its worst budget deficit in history. Various newspapers across the state are bashing the Blagojevich administration for cuts that are mandatory.

We, the students and faculty of EIU, are directly affected by these cuts. Do I believe that Gov. Blagojevich is solely to blame? Of course not! Past administrations are the ones responsible for getting us into this mess, not Gov. Rod Blagojevich.

Our state has taken years to build up this deficit, and we can't expect for this administration to come up with a resolution that will wipe away a \$5 billion deficit in three months. The Blagojevich administration is taking strides to moving

Illinois forward and getting our deficit back to a respectable status.

However, I am concerned with one of our local politician's priorities.

State Sen. Dale Righter is currently in his first term, after serving in the Illinois House of Representatives. The issue at hand could have saved Eastern Illinois University from numerous cuts to their budget. The Blagojevich administration needed Senate approval on a \$10 billion pension bond initiative that was to be used to help balance the state's budget deficit.

Initially, the proposal fell one vote short of the 36 required in the Senate. Only one Republican voted for the plan.

Rick Winkel, of Urbana, voted for the plan because

in return he was able to shield the U of I from certain budget cuts. So, immediately I figured Republican State Sen. Dale Righter could make the same compromise.

He would have been the final vote needed to pass this financially responsible plan. As a result, EIU would have been spared from some forced budget cuts.

Mr. Righter, the students and faculty of EIU would appreciate your efforts in looking after the needs of this district instead of playing partisan politics.

Fingers are easy to point, especially when things are not going so well and scapegoats seem everywhere.

Everyone wants to blame Gov. Blagojevich for the cuts that were implemented in the state budget. But, we elect local officials to pursue our specific interests.

Let me say, that I have met Mr. Righter on numerous occasions. I personally like him and I feel he is a good legislator, however, this opportunity slipped right through his fingers.

Mike Woods Jr.  
junior sociology major

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# Seasoned runner takes a breather to share all aspects of a marathon

Gregory McElroy  
ACTIVITIES REPORTER

The human body has an amazing capability to tolerate so many degrees of stress, said John Emmett.

Emmett, a marathon runner and physical education professor, led the final program of the Booth Library Speaker Series Wednesday, called "The Physiology of Marathon Running: the Good, the Bad, and the Ugly."

The hour-long program illustrated the functions and limitations of the human body during long periods of exercise - like marathon running.

Emmett tried to educate the audience of 30 about the positive adaptations and the rare, but possibly fatal, conditions of running in a 26.2 mile race.

"The human body undergoes a lot of stress in marathon running, and there can be some problems that arise," said Emmett after the program. "Most people don't experience the problems, but most of the benefits from marathon running come from the training that precedes it, not the actual marathon itself."

*"Since running is always in the same direction, it's more about the pounding without the cutting and twisting ..."*

—John Emmett

Marathons supposedly originated when a Greek man named Phidippides ran from the Battle of Marathon to Athens to deliver news of victory, Emmett said.

He also spoke about the negative effects of running. He said a lot of stress is put on the human heart due to running, which can cause heart disease.

"For people who have died during a marathon, which the numbers are pretty low, it's usually a result of already having a heart disease or because they push themselves a little too far during or right after a marathon, and

they have a heart attack," said Emmett.

Most injuries in a marathon occur during training, rather than in the actual race or when a runner doesn't stay at a constant pace throughout the race, he said.

If runners don't receive the proper fluids in their body, heat exhaustion or heat stroke can result.

But despite all the risks and dangers, proper training and a healthy body outweigh the bad and ugly aspects of marathon running. Running can create positive and lasting health conditions, Emmett said.

"Marathon running usually has less impact on the human body, particularly the knees, as far as injuries, than any other sports like football and basketball," Emmett said. "Since running is always in the same direction, it's more about the pounding without the cutting and twisting that those other sports require."

"People do develop knee problems running, but I think the numbers are lower than what some people think and probably lower than in any other sport," Emmett said.



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John Emmett, of the physical education department, talks to students and faculty about the physiology of running a marathon. Emmett has run six marathons.

## Eastern could receive underground electrical funds

By John Hohenadel  
ADMINISTRATION REPORTER

Eastern has been recommended to receive \$4.2 million from the state next fiscal year to redo the underground electrical system.

Carol Strode, interim director of facilities planning and management, said 60 percent of the current electrical system is the original lead-covered cables. Some of the system dates back to the 1920s.

The problem with those cables is it's unpredictability.

"Historically, major failures have occurred at unpredictable times," Strode said. "We simply do not know when the next failure will occur. The construction funding requested, if received, would completely upgrade our aging underground distribution system and improve building substations and switching capabilities."

Although the electrical system would operate with increased effi-

ciency, it does have some disadvantages, Strode said.

"As with any campus improvement project, especially underground infrastructure improvement, there may be some temporary disruptions due to underground excavations and temporary power outages while new equipment is being connected," Strode said.

Another downside is the installation period required to put all the new equipment in the ground.

"Depending upon when the funds would be released, selection of the design firm needs to occur first, following design completion; construction can then begin," Strode said. "This process takes approximately 18 months."

Strode said the entire campus distribution system would be upgraded but the majority of the work would take place in the campus core between Lincoln and Roosevelt and Fourth and Seventh streets.

Eastern has requested funds for this project the past five years, she said.

If Eastern is granted the \$4.2 million, Strode said it must use the funds to upgrade the electrical system.

Strode is optimistic about receiving the needed funds for the work on the electrical system.

"We certainly hope we will be successful in obtaining the funding, but this is beyond our control," Strode said.

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# Psychology professor will present women's studies

By Dan Valenziano  
ACTIVITIES EDITOR

Alice Eagly, professor of psychology at Northwestern University, will discuss women's leadership and heroism in two sessions Thursday and Friday.

The session Thursday is entitled "Women's Quest for Leadership: Solving the Problem of Role Incongruity."

"The Heroism of Men and Women," is the second session Friday.

Psychology professor Steve Scher organized the program.

"I really wanted to bring psychologists to campus since I came here," Scher said. "It's a great opportunity for students to see someone who is really working at the top of her field. She's a great person and a really great psychologist."

He said the first session is

primarily going to deal with problems women have acquiring leadership positions at work and in other areas of society.

"She's also going to talk about the way things have been changing for women in leadership positions," Scher said. "She'll probably summarize research she had done over the past 10 or 15 years."

"Thursday night may be especially interesting to people in areas like business, political science and, of course, psychology and sociology."

Friday's speech will probably deal with new research Eagly is doing, said Scher.

According to a press release, "The Heroism of Men and Women" will examine heroism by women and men in two extremely dangerous settings: the emergency situations in which Carnegie

medalists rescued others and in aiding Jews during the Holocaust.

During this session, Eagly will compare how many males versus females are living kidney donors and how many volunteer for the Peace Corps and Doctors of the World.

Thursday's presentation will be at 7 p.m. in room 3040 of the Physical Sciences Building.

Eagly will speak at 1:30 p.m. Friday in room 1131 of the Physical Sciences Building.

Scher said the presentations could not have been possible without a grant from the College of Sciences' visiting scholars program. Costs of the program will be probably split evenly between the program and the Psychology Department, Scher said.

# Classes not always a click away

By Jennifer Chiariello  
CAMPUS EDITOR

Before the PAWS system and touch-tone registration, students enrolled in courses through arena registration, a computer system without the reliability of the current process.

Molly Evans, assistant director of registration, said she had worked during the time students used arena registration.

She said arena registration was a longer process than touch-tone registration or the PAWS system.

"Well, for starters, students submitted pre-enrollment requests," Evans said.

The requests were turned in on a deadline and entered into a computer, Evans said. Then they were given to each department, which made adjustments to meet the demands of the students.

After each department made adjustments, the computer comprised students' schedules based on their year in school, Evans said. Actual scheduling was done by the computer, and if students were short on courses for the term, they would not find out until a short amount of time before the term began.

Even if students submitted their pre-enrollment request in March, students

*"There were mobs of kids in the ballroom ... so (registration) was a very time-consuming process."*

—Molly Evans

did not find out their schedule until late July and early August. The PAWS system allows students to find out admittance into the course immediately after they request it, Evans said.

Other problems with arena registration included late registration and when students tried to add or change courses.

"There were mobs of kids in the ballroom," Evans said.

Representatives from each academic department set up tables, and students would fill out add or drop forms and wait in line at each table, Evans said.

"So it was a very time-consuming process," Evans said.

The arena set up was used for close to 20 years, and touch-tone registration began following the summer of 1991.




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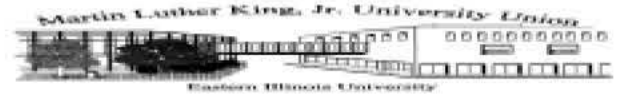
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Change:

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Affairs Lisa Flam were on Leonard's ticket, but after Judy explained his views, they switched to Campus Change.

"Obviously her wanting them in first place proves she thinks they are good people," he said. "She should then realize it was not because of popularity, and I know that because she wants them too."

And to the lack of experience, Judy said, "you can have been on 50 leadership positions, but that does not make you a leader."

Wierenga said the lack of a party hurt his cause and admitted he wasn't too optimistic heading into the campaign. He complimented the winner, but still held some apprehensions.

"Caleb's a good guy, and I think he'll do a good job," Wierenga said. "But I just hope he looks out for his students, and not for himself or the administration."

When asked if he could cite specific examples or statements suggesting Judy not keeping students' interest in mind, Wierenga said, "I would prefer not to comment on that."

-By Tim Martin, administration editor

Executive vice president

Bill Davidson looked tired at Wednesday's Student Senate meeting but perked up once he heard the vote totals.

Davidson, a junior political science major, was elected executive vice president, easily beating challengers Kyle Donash, of Students' Voice, and independent Sherman Thomas.

Davidson, whose Campus Change party swept the elections, said he was looking forward to working with his fellow party members to improve Eastern.

"It's awesome that we're all in here together," Davidson said. "We want to fulfill a lot of promises ...

and we have the resources to fulfill these promises."

Among these promises are registering students to vote, he said.

Through a door-to-door effort, Davidson said he wants 5,000 students to be registered to vote by next semester, and 7,500 by the 2004 presidential elections.

Executive vice president was the position Davidson said he wanted ever since he first became involved with Student Government.

"This is the position I wanted," Davidson said. "I can hardly wait to get down to business."

Thomas said the defeat would not stop him from staying involved with campus issues.

"(The election outcome) is not going to keep me from doing the things I want to do," Thomas said. "I'm just going to bug Bill."

Kyle Donash was not available for comment.

-By Jeremy Pelzer, city reporter

Student vice president for student affairs

Lisa Flam was re-elected to a second term as student vice president of student affairs.

Flam, of the Campus Change ticket, received 774 votes to defeat her opponents, Lindsey Baum and Matt Kulp, by over 300 votes.

"I'm just excited to get into the office again and expand on it the second time around and work with an awesome group of people," Flam said.

Baum, of Students Voice, received the second most amount of votes with 470. Kulp, an independent candidate, received 457 votes.

"I got exactly what I expected," Kulp said. "I spent \$5 on my campaign opposed to the over \$800 the other parties spent on campaigning."

Baum was upset by the results but wished the newly elected officials luck.

"It was just a really good race," Baum said. "We fought hard and

good luck to all the new executives."

Voter turnout increased from 1,229 last year to 1,843 votes this year. The high voter turnout was encouraging to Kulp, whose main goal in the campaign was to increase student awareness and involvement.

"I thought the voter turnout was great," Kulp said. "I just want to thank everyone that supported me. It means a lot."

This past term Flam focused on the development of Unity Week, a series of events with the intent to bring the campus and community together.

Flam said having experience from this past term will help her better accomplish her goals in the coming year.

One of those goals is establishing a student leadership council to help further organize recognized student organizations.

"That's my baby," Flam said about the student leadership council. "If I can get that off the ground, I'll be very happy."

-By Matt Meinheit, associate news editor

Unopposed races

Two Student Senate candidates elected in Tuesday and Wednesday's Student Government elections were unopposed.

Amanda Sartore was elected student vice president for academic affairs, and Larry Ward was elected vice president of business affairs.

Sartore received 1,404 votes, and Ward received 1,476 votes. In the election, 1,843 students voted.

Ward said: "I'd like to continue with my platform and implement my goals. Number one, unified billing, so that students know what they pay. Number two, would be a Web site, pamphlets and forms about apportionment board and tuition fees, so students know where their money goes, and RSO funding, so that students can get some of their money back."

Sartore said she already has



DANIEL WILLIAMS/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Bill Davidson, in back, is congratulated with a hug after winning the executive vice-president position Wednesday evening in the Arcola/Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

plans for next year.

"Next year I am going to have a student, I already have planned who it might be, make a computer program," she said.

The program is for students to find scholarship information.

Sartore also has many other plans for next year.

"I'm working with Bob Dudolski, director of greek life, to implement a leadership minor," she said. "Bob already has a lot of research, I will be the student advocate for it."

Sartore said she will look over the research in the summer and work on it in the fall.

Another plan she has is to get a student in each faculty department to sit in on faculty meetings.

"I'm not saying it would be like

you have to have a student vote, but I at least want a student there to give their opinion," she said. "We are the ones most effected."

Sartore did not mind running unopposed in the election and said the other party did not enter another candidate for the position because it supported her.

"I kind of wanted some sort of competition, but I was very pleased how the other party handled it, they had asked me to be on their party, they said they knew I was the most qualified... So to me, coming from another party, that's pretty great to have another party do that because they think you are the most qualified."

-By Jennifer Chiariello, campus editor

Chief:

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Examples of officer safety are the lack of emergency equipment such as police radios and a functioning spotlight, the lack of a secure place for firearms when escorting a prisoner into a building

and the restriction of only having two patrol cars on duty at one time.

Examples of interdepartmental communication, or lack thereof, is Due's alleged lack of consultation to officers when rearranging their schedules.

"At least a 'heads-up' to allow the officer to raise any concerns was

warranted," the release stated.

The release accused Due of making several comments to officers illustrating his unwillingness to seek compromise or build working relationships with members of the department.

An example of the accusations, according to the release, was an

instance when a member of the UPD mentioned officers were doing a good job on issuing alcohol tickets.

To which, the release alleged: "(Acting Chief) Due stated he could teach a monkey to write tickets."

Wayland defended Due stating,

"Comments made publicly about anyone, particularly anyone — in this case, Due — to make comments like this publicly you have to consider their motives."

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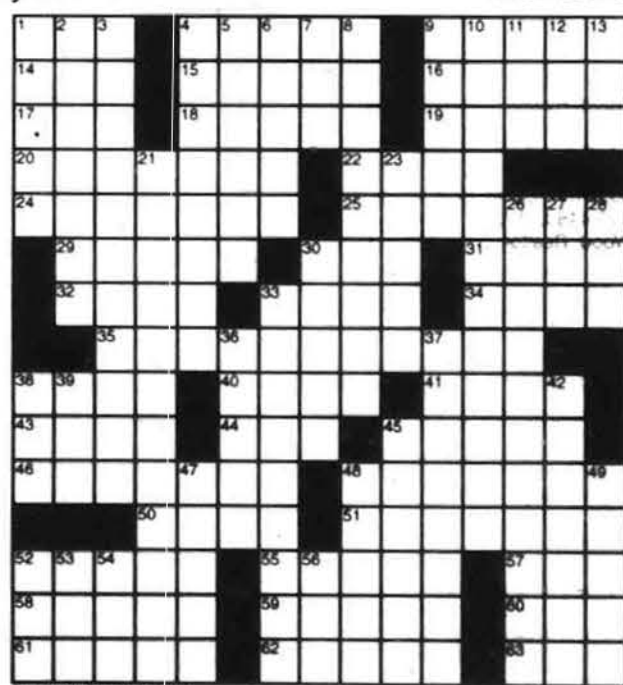
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- 21 Hand-counting method, in bridge
- 23 Often villainous operatic roles
- 26 Downhill racers
- 27 Pique
- 28 Western moniker
- 30 Designer's focus
- 33 Set, in a way
- 36 Start of a boast
- 37 Treats gently, with "on"
- 38 Deck feature
- 39 Cutter
- 42 Get the better of
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OVC BASEBALL

# Several teams still in the running

♦ *Very little separates teams in the battle for first in OVC*

By Jamie Hussey  
STAFF WRITER

It is a tight battle for first place in the Ohio Valley Conference going into the last month of the 2003 baseball season.

Austin Peay is barely holding onto first place with a record of 5-2-1 followed close behind them are three teams in a tie for second place.

Eastern Kentucky, Murray State and Tennessee Tech are tied with each other at 5-3.

Tennessee Tech head coach Aaron Carroll said he does not see anyone running away with the title. "It is going to be a dog fight. Anyone is capable of winning," Carroll said. "The league is more balanced this year than it has been in the past."

Eastern Kentucky head coach Elvis Dominguez said the closeness in the race shows the symmetry between the teams.

"It is just going to boil down to who is hot at the right time and who is playing good baseball," Dominguez said.

Tennessee Martin head coach Bubba Cates said the teams at the bottom in the league are better than they have been in past years, and the top teams no longer have the distance between them and the lower teams.

"There is more parity in the league, it is not surprising to see anyone beat anybody else," Cates said.

Morehead State head coach John Jarnagin said it is whoever who is hot right then.

Southeast Missouri State is placed fifth with a record of 4-4. Eastern is riding close behind

*"It's going to be a dog fight. Anyone is capable of winning."*

—Aaron Carroll

SEMO with a record of 4-5 in sixth place.

Morehead State is ranked seventh with 3-5.

Jarnagin said if his seventh place team plays well, they will have a chance.

"We are always in this position fighting to get in," Jarnagin said.

Tennessee Martin is ranked in the last spot with a record of 1-5-1. Cates is still optimistic about his eighth place team ending the season well.

He is optimistic because his team was able to tie one out of the two games they played against first place Austin Peay.

"Our guys lined up and played well all day long," Cates said. "That weekend they started looking at each other saying that team is not any different than we are and that is a conference booster for our guys."

## Baseball standings

	OVC	OVERALL
Austin Peay	5-2-1	16-21-1
Eastern Kentucky	5-3	18-16
Tennessee Tech	5-3	18-17
Murray State	5-3	16-18
Southeast Missouri	4-4	20-13
Eastern Illinois	4-5	17-19
Morehead State	3-6	12-22
Tennessee-Martin	1-6-1	12-19-1

## MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

# Pitcher may face cruelty charges

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — A minor league pitcher might face animal cruelty charges for injuring a protected bird with a thrown baseball.

Jae-kuk Ryu, a 19-year-old South Korean pitcher for the Class-A Daytona Cubs, knocked an osprey from its perch during pregame practice Monday night.

The team announced Wednesday night that it sent Ryu to Lansing, Mich. of the Class-A Midwest League.

The male bird's eye was seriously injured. Ospreys are recognized by the state as a species of special concern, meaning their habitats are vulnerable. Anyone who wounds or kills

an osprey can be charged with a second-degree misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of up to \$500 and 60 days in jail.

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission is investigating and plans to submit its findings to the state attorney's office next week, spokeswoman Joy Hill said.

"We've received a number of calls from an outraged public. I just talked to one woman; she wants him deported," Hill said. "People have zero tolerance for this kind of thing."

The Chicago Cubs, who signed Ryu two years ago, are conducting their own investigation to determine how the pitcher will be punished.

## Outlast:

# Stone picks up win in 3 1/3 scoreless innings for Panthers

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the 6-foot-7 right-hander struggled against the Panthers.

Freshman center fielder Pete Stone contributed to Walker's problems by going 2-for-4 with a solo home run and double. Second baseman Chris Uhle had three hits and an RBI. Catcher Bret Pignatiello and right fielder Kirk Walters both had two RBIs off Walker, who

pitched all 10 innings for the Braves.

The Panthers received a solid outing by the bullpen, which included seniors Micah Gray, Nathan Stone and Aaron Shelbourne, who combined to pitch five scoreless in relief of Budde. Stone pitched 3 1/3 scoreless innings scattering four hits to pick up his fourth win of the season. Shelbourne struggled in the 10th inning, giving up a hit and walking two but managed to get out of a jam and pick up his second save of the year.

Game two was still in the process of being completed at press time and therefore, was

## Downs:

# Kristin Lovering hits her first homerun of the season in loss

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"The seventh inning was the only time I thought about taking her out, but I decided to go with what brought us here," Searle said.

Becker pitched perfectly until the final inning.

Otahkians third baseman Marie Coode doubled and advanced to third on an error. However, she was thrown out at home, but that out

just delayed the enviable. The next batter didn't even have to get the bat off her shoulder. Designated player Kelly Burk scored on the walk-off wild pitch.

"The pitch was the right pitch at the right time, but it just slipped away," Searle said. "This was a heartbreaking way to lose because our kids played their hearts out."

SEMO reliever Mel Velkenburgh (2-7) got the win after pitching 4 2/3 innings of perfect ball, including three strikeouts. Becker (7-15) received her 55th career loss in a Panther uniform.

Eastern's next game be a double-header at Williams Field against Austin Peay April 26.

## Tammaro:

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Tumbling, body control and strength are all needed to excel in either sport. The males who find cheerleading a worthwhile experience love it because it tests them physically and mentally, but mostly because it's fun.

After perfecting a routine, and entertaining the fans, they feel proud about what they have accomplished.

Another advantage of trying out the "sport of homosexuals" is the mere fact of being around a handful of young, fit and attractive females for a chunk of the day. Remember, the guys are the ones lifting the girls, who are wearing short skirts.

"There are a few guys who come out for that very reason," Leong said. "Once they perform their first stunt though, they are hooked to the sport. The girls are an added bonus."

I can't say I like that idea - After all, my girlfriend is a cheerleader. But the truth is these guys are very committed to the sport they love and deserve respect. Other athletes around Eastern's campus have a positive view on male cheerleaders.

Curtis Lester, an offensive lineman on the football team, said, "The guys who do it have to be strong and committed, like in any sport. They have made it a more diverse sport."

Sure they wear skin-tight V-neck shirts and tight pants. Yes, they scream into megaphones and radiate cheerful grins at every event.

However, if people could get these insignificant details out of their heads, they might take cheerleading for what it is - an intense, competitive sport.

And if you still don't want to listen, head on over to Lantz and see how "easy" it is.

## Softball standings

	OVC	OVERALL
Tennessee Tech	13-2	32-13
Tennessee-Martin	11-6	20-24
Eastern Kentucky	8-6	22-15
Austin Peay	7-6	17-24-1
Southeast Missouri	7-6	11-23
Eastern Illinois	4-9	9-28
Morehead State	4-10	7-28-1
Tennessee State	4-13	8-30

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OVC TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

# Both men and women hunt for OVC titles

◆ *Men face Tennessee-Martin; women play Eastern Kentucky*

By Jason Blasco  
STAFF WRITER

The Ohio Valley Conference Championship is something the Eastern men's and women's tennis teams have had on their calendar since the beginning of the tennis season.

Both teams will venture to Nashville, Tenn., April 24-27 in an attempt to receive an automatic bid to the NCAA Division I tournament.

"Everything up to this point has been basically preseason," second-year coach Brian Holzgrafe said. "From this point on, there are no excuses. We have to go out and make it happen."

The Panther men's and women's OVC record is a combined 10-3. The Eastern men currently have a record of 5-1 in conference play, with their sole loss at the hands of the No. 3 ranked team in the OVC and the defending OVC champion Murray State Racers.

The Panther men were awarded the third seed and will play Tennessee-Martin in the first round of OVC tournament.

Senior No. 1 men's player C.J. Weber said the team has a more positive attitude this season than in year's past.

"Compared to past years, our team is so much more on fire for this conference tournament than in the past," Weber said. "In past seasons, we would be content with finishing in the top three. This season, we feel if everyone plays up to their ability that we can win the tournament."

The Eastern men's team is entering the tournament with seven wins out its last eight contests.

During those eight matches, the Panthers defeated five conference opponents including Tennessee State, Tennessee Martin, Austin Peay, Morehead State, and their recent 4-2 victory against Eastern Kentucky.

The men's record against the conference may be 5-1, but there is still one opponent it has

not faced in the OVC: current No. 1 ranked team Tennessee Tech (11-9).

"That will be interesting to see how we measure up against (Tennessee Tech) because we haven't played them," Weber said. "What we've seen is that our scores have matched up. Based on statistics, we can play them as a team."

Eastern men's team is going into the tournament with a relatively healthy team.

Weber experienced tennis elbow and No. 3 player Lukasz Pluta, who sustained an injury in the Murray State match April 5.

"Right now there are a couple of guys on the team with some nagging injuries," said Weber. "However, it is nothing that is going to take away from their ability. I don't see that being much of a factor."

The Eastern women's team's first match in the tournament will be against Eastern Kentucky.

The No. 4 seeded Panther women (12-5, 5-2) managed to defeat the Colonels at home 4-3 in singles matches on their regular season finale April 18.

"We need to handle this team like we did last weekend," Holzgrafe said. "We are dangerous when they come together and fight the way we are capable of fighting."

The Eastern women began their season on fire, winning eight of the first 11 matches. The Panthers' early success was slowed down by injury to their No. 1 player Jana Matouskova, who has struggled with an assortment of injuries including problems with her Achilles tendon, ankle and hip.

Despite the difficulties with injuries, the Panthers will have their No. 1 player to make the run for the tournament. The injuries to Matouskova didn't prevent the Eastern women from winning four of their last five contests.

"As a team, we are doing really well," sophomore No. 3 player Sarah Freeman said. "When (Jana) was struggling with injuries, we've been able to work around it."

The Panthers' 5-2 overall record in the conference could



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No. 3 women's singles player Becky Carlson is 10-6 on the season. Carlson will play Eastern Kentucky's Janina Dickhardt in a first round matchup. Brunner defeated Dickhardt 6-3, 6-0 last weekend at home.

be a momentum factor they are looking for.

"Anytime you have a good record, you are going to be confident," Freeman said. "The good thing about it is you go with vengeance and try to redeem. If you are on top, every-

one expects you to win. We don't have anything to lose."

The Panthers' two conference losses have come against the No. 2 OVC team and defending conference champion Murray State and No. 5 ranked Morehead State.

"Both teams are going to take it match by match," Holzgrafe said. "This year, obviously we see things as we have more potential than in the past. We don't want to overlook anything here. The first round is going to be a battle for both teams."

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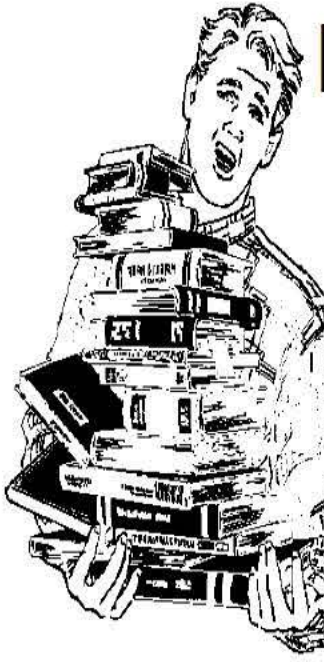
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Panther sports calendar

THURSDAY	M/W Tennis at OVC Tourney	
	Men's Soccer exhibition	4:45 p.m.
FRIDAY	M/W Tennis at OVC Tourney	
	M/W Track at Drake Relays	
SATURDAY	Baseball vs. Eastern Kentucky	1p.m.Coaches' Stadium
	Softball vs. Austin Peay	noon Williams Field

OUT OF BOUNDS



Brad Tammaro  
STAFF WRITER

## Men can be cheerleaders too

They spend hours in the weight room developing fine-tuned, muscular bodies.

They run miles on end to condition themselves for a long, strenuous season.

They spill sweat from every crevasse of their bodies.

No, this isn't the linebacker crew for Eastern's football team. It is the eight males who make up half of Eastern's varsity cheerleading squad.

Cheerleading, as we know it, started back in 1898. At the University of Minnesota, a student began a cheer position called "yell marshall." Oh, by the way, it was a male student. His name was Johnny Campbell, and he began what is now a sport with three million members in the United States alone.

However, the sport is predominantly female today. Although a male created it, the men today who participate in cheerleading face ridicule and stereotypes. Words such as gay, sissy and queer have followed these athletes for some time now.

The reason? Lack of knowledge and exposure to the sport.

"People make assumptions about male cheerleaders because it is mainly a female sport," said Eastern varsity cheerleading coach Tom Leong. "Some guy cheerleaders are homosexuals. They are just more open about it than guys (who are homosexual) in other sports."

Females are the dominant sex in the sport of cheerleading. This is a truism. But maybe after learning a little bit about what these male athletes go through, you'll think twice before judging them again. You may even want to head on over to Lantz and try your luck at some back flips.

A cheerleader's training is a long and committed process. An intense tryout period tests the athletes on their strength, flexibility, conditioning and endurance. Sounds similar to all those "masculine" sports, huh?

Mike Mantonya, a senior on the varsity squad, said his conditioning lasts all year. He spends his time lifting "sissy" muscles and running to build on endurance.

His experience as a cheerleader didn't begin until college. Throughout his youth and high school days, Mantonya worked hard at gymnastics; another predominately female sport men enjoy.

When he came to Eastern, he realized there wasn't a gymnastics team to join. This is when he turned to cheerleading.

"The first time I tried (cheerleading), I loved it," Mantonya said. "Most guys who do it will say the same thing."

Mantonya found similar attributes in cheerleading that are present in gymnastics.

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SOFTBALL: SEMO 6 EASTERN 5



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Junior infielder Mandy Lindwall attempts to lay down a bunt during a home game at Williams Field. Linwall had a two-RBI single in the sixth inning of a 6-5 Eastern loss to SEMO Wednesday.

## SEMO downs Eastern in 11

♦ *Otahkians win in 11th inning off Kristen Becker's wild pitch*

By Matthew Stevens  
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

Despite the incredible effort by senior pitcher Kristen Becker, Eastern dropped another heart-breaker to Southeast Missouri 6-5.

Eastern's ace pitched 10 2/3 innings, faced 48 batters and gave up only five earned runs on 10 hits. That, in itself, would be a solid days work, but Becker also provided a lift at the plate, going three of five with one RBI and scoring one.

"She did a great job in everything tonight," Eastern head coach Lloydene Searle said. "I wanted to win so badly for her."

However, Becker ended the game by throwing a wild pitch that scored Otahkians third baseman Jamie Burk, and was also thrown out at third in the Panthers half of the 11th inning.

"Kristen was the one putting the tag on the kid at home," Searle said. "Then, she looks and me and shrugs her shoulders and said 'What else can I do.'"

However, this seemed to be a game the Panthers had control of until the end, but left Cape

Girardeau, Mo., scratching its head.

"It was a crazy game that everything in the stat sheet says we should win," Searle said. "My hair is growing grayer by the minute."

Eastern was able to jump out on top, make less mistakes in the field than SEMO (3 Panthers errors to SEMO's six) and leave less runners on base (Eastern 8 to SEMO's 12).

"There were a couple of calls that were made out of position is out of our control," Searle said. "Baseball is a game of inches, but this was a game of millimeters."

With the Panthers down 2-1 in the top of the sixth inning, junior

shortstop Mandy Lindwall singled to score centerfielder Carrie Ninness and Becker. When Lindwall scored on an error by SEMO shortstop Kate Groden, Eastern found itself ahead 4-2.

Eastern was ahead 5-2 going into the bottom of the seventh, but the Otahkians bats caught fire. SEMO scored three runs on four hits in the inning before the Panthers registered an out.

With the game tied at five, Becker regrouped to get three straight outs and was able to keep hope of her eighth win alive.

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BASEBALL: EASTERN 6 BRADLEY 5

## Panthers outlast in-state Bradley

♦ *Panthers need 10 innings to defeat Braves 6-5 in first game of doubleheader*

Michael Gilbert  
SPORTS REPORTER

The Eastern baseball team needed extra innings to defeat Bradley 6-5 in game one of a twilight doubleheader Wednesday at O'Brien Field in Peoria, Ill.

With the non-conference win, the Panthers improved to 18-19 overall while Bradley fell to 18-20.

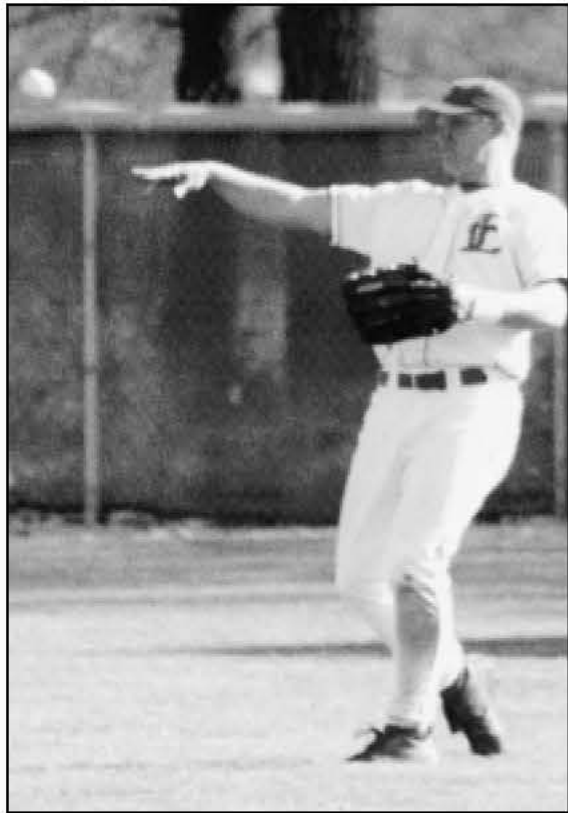
Until the Panthers pushed across the eventual winning run in the 10th inning, neither team had dented the

scoreboard since the third inning.

The Panthers opened up a five-run lead with one in the first and four more in the third, but any thoughts of an easy victory were dismissed in the bottom half of the third.

It was at that point the Braves put up a five spot on Eastern starter Mike Budde. The key to the inning was third baseman Ryan Sullivan's three-run homer. Before Sullivan's sixth blast of the season, Bradley scored on a pair of run-scoring singles by designated hitter Kenny Ryan and left fielder Agueron Rene.

However, Eastern was also able to get to Missouri Valley Pitcher of the Week Collin Walker (4-5). The freshman hurler had a gem in his previous outing. Walker shut down Wichita State ranked 30th in the nation 1-0 on April 16 to earn the award. However,



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Senior outfielder Kirk Walters had one hit and two RBIs in the first game of double-header against Bradley Wednesday.

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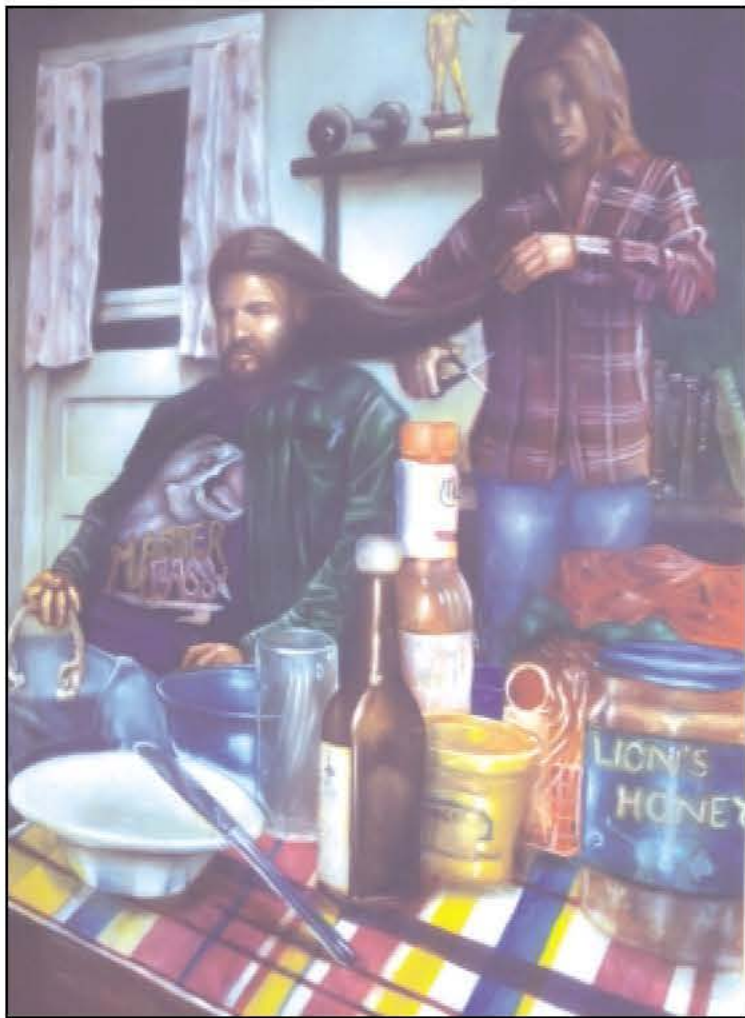


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## Visual Dialect at Burl Ives



Samson and Delilah was just one of the many artworks on display at Burl Ives on Tuesday. There are many benefits to such galleries for both the students and for the school.

Photo by Dan Williams

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## Last minute advice for securing a job or career this summer

by Eram Cowlas  
Staff writer

With summer quickly approaching, it can be a stressful time for graduating seniors.

Looking for a job after college is never easy, especially with the current economic situation. However, students can take a few steps to prepare for the process.

Interim Director of Career Services Linda Moore advises students to prepare early for the job search by researching companies in advance. She notes that today's job market is especially tough, so students should be sure to gather information about a job before even applying. She stresses to look at companies that are hiring and making money.

"The competition is so stiff, Who's making money? Research those companies,"

Moore said. After finding jobs, the next step is sending the resume.

"There are several ways to create a resume, but the most important thing to remember is to specialize it for a particular job and company. When competition is stiff, companies look for applicants who will fill their specific needs. This can be achieved in a "Career Objectives" section, which only needs to be a few lines long," Moore said.

Moore added that students just coming out of college should limit a resume to one page.

Being prepared for job interviews is also crucial. It is important to be prepared

for anything an interviewer might throw out. Moore advises students to be aware of both their strengths and their weaknesses, because an employer will be looking for both.

Once an applicant gets an interview, much of the process consists of personality assessment and how well a person will fit into the work atmosphere. Because of that, Moore recommends relaxing during the interview and not being fake.

"(Applicants) should know themselves," advises Moore.

One way to prepare for an interview is to practice. Either get a friend to ask practice questions or find someone in the field who knows what to ask, Moore advises.

Another option? "Come down (to Career Services) and get a mock interview," Moore said.

Juniors also have important work for the summer. Aside from beginning research, students might consider looking into graduate programs as an alternative.

They can also begin networking in their field or job shadowing. Moore notes that some companies require such previous experience as job shadowing to even interview.

Also, juniors should purchase interviewing clothes to have for senior year.

The key to a job search is start preparing as early as possible, Moore said.

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## Study abroad offers cultural enrichment

by Kevin Micks  
Staff writer

Even while Eastern works hard to increase its campus minority population, students are also offered and encouraged to take advantage of an often-overlooked opportunity to experience cultural diversity on other campuses worldwide.

Every year several Eastern students leave Charleston to travel around the world with EIU's study abroad program. Students have an opportunity to study in various countries around the globe for the same tuition as Eastern without causing them to lose hours towards graduation.

Hungary, Wales, France, Australia, The Netherlands, and Sweden are among the options to choose from, each of which has set up an exchange program with EIU that allows students from these countries to attend Eastern and Eastern students to attend their school while still paying the same tuition.

"The programs are set up to cater to Eastern students," Angela Krischon, student assistant at the International Student Office said.

Allison Witt, Coordinator of Education Abroad, does a lot of traveling around the world to look for universities compatible to Eastern, Krischon said. Some of the criteria she looks for are the price, size, and amount of contact the foreign institution has with Eastern, she said.

In addition to the universities that Eastern shares a direct exchange with, there are also a number of other institutions that students can attend as well.

Krischon, who is also a counseling graduate student, attended the University of Salamanca during

the summer of 2002.

"It was definitely the best experience of my life," Krischon said. During her stay, Krischon lived with a Spanish family while taking intensive Spanish classes.

"I can do anything now," she said. "I did it alone, and it gave me a sense of independence."

"It was definitely the best experience of my life,"

-Angela  
Krischon  
Student Assistant;  
International  
Student Office

also a number of students from around the world here at Eastern.

Yuki Umeda, an international student from Japan, has been studying in the United States for four years.

"The hardest thing to adjust to was the language because I only spoke basic English when I came, but Americans have been very nice to me," Umeda said.

"Studying abroad is very good because you learn

the language and the culture," she said. "You can only learn so much about a country without being there. When you are actually in the country, you may not even realize when you are learning sometimes. It may be subconsciously, but you are learning."

Vi Tran, an international student from South Vietnam, said the greatest benefit of studying at Eastern was the opportunity to learn English. In addition, Eastern offers technology such as public computer labs and public transportation that were not offered at my home institution, she said.

Tran also has not encountered any major problems at Eastern. "It depends on the individual," she said. "Sometimes, people are very cold, but mostly they are very friendly."

Even though many international students at Eastern are traveling alone they are not left to their own devices. There are a number of events for the international students to take part in so that they can get to know each other, said Umeda, who is also the president of the Association of International Students.

"While it is very easy to remain in a close-knit group of other international students, it is important that you not isolate yourself from the rest of the students," Witt said at meeting for students planning to study abroad.

International students were housed together in Stevenson Hall during the first semester to give them an opportunity to get to know one another, however, some students, such as Sarah Lloyd, an exchange student from Wales, have since moved out of

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# We're looking to change our name page 2



# Not the end of the world, just chaos

Maybe the Apocalypse is finally here. There were countless prophecies throughout the 1990s claiming the millennium marked the beginning of the end. Its easy to ignore it as religious rhetoric, but it didn't all have religious undertones.

Scientists, philosophers, and others were saying it too, and for once if you listened very closely, they were making some serious claims, although it was still hard to take seriously. Many were making note of the depleting ozone layer and others screamed that the Pacific Ocean would swallow up the West Coast.

Some were pointing to the Mideast. It doesn't take a genius to see why. It is, historically, a region of unrest and upheaval and it goes much deeper than the problems between the Israelites and the Palestinians, look at the socioeconomic problems of the underdeveloped governments in the area.

Many said the year 2000 would mark the beginning of the end. It did come, in the form of the Y2K virus, but it came and went with a yawn. The clamor for spaceheaters and other survival necessities was barely audible, drowned out by the celebraters of the new millenium.

When the terrorist planes hit the two towers, it changed forever the course of our nation. We've since felt more nervous at the idea that we aren't untouchable, but the rest of 2001 was eased by newfound patriotism and quick action that the U. S. Military took.

This academic school year began oddly enough with the assault of English Professor Bill Feltt on our campus. The case still remains unsolved although there was much said and written about the investigation.

There was the sniper incident on the East Coast. Where the biggest shock came when they caught the individuals and they weren't white.

January and February were the most eventful. The Space Shuttle Columbia crashed on the first of February. Questions of whether NASA was negligent arose but that was quickly swept under the rug by the constant news of the impending war with Iraq.

The crash happened while the Anthony Mertz trial that was covered as if it were the O.J. trial. For five weeks the trial finally gave us closure on that crime that showed us that we are not as far removed from the ugliness as we once thought. Meanwhile the war on Iraq loomed.

The E2 tragedy in the SouthSide of Chicago and the fire at a concert in a club in Rhode Island, left us wondering whether something like that could happen at one of our local bars. "What could possibly happen now?"

So many tragedies and worries to deal with, while the pressures of school continue mount. Thank you, spring break, for the time off. The bombs dropped on Baghdad, the fear of retaliation and Saddam Hussien is nowhere to be found.

Then Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) broke out shortly after spring break. An estimated 200 cases reported and 38 probable cases reported in the United States.

Finally, the liberation of Iraq (as it has been labeled) is coming to an end. It seems that Iraq will at least be rebuilt, with the outcome uncertain. However, we still look to Syria and North Korea. The bold course of that the U. S. Government took without the United Nations has many other countries looking at us skeptically; and again prompts us to think aloud, "What could possibly happen next?" The answer: Anything, maybe the end of the world, but that's doubtful.



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## Editor's Note

# Name change is necessary



Joaquin Ochoa is a senior journalism major, and will be the Editor in chief next year.

Before I left for college, my high school journalism advisor gave me a pen with my name engraved on it. I was touched by the gesture, I had always felt such gifts to be corny, but I guess it was one of those moments. She explained that a name is very important to a person. It is the one thing that defines and can never be taken away from a person.

She also advised that I take extra effort to make sure I make a good name for myself and not let anyone or anything add a negative connotation to it. The same can be said about labels or titles. I have many titles and names ascribed to me, some that I chose such as nicknames. Of course, there are those I was born with-Hispanic male student, Mexican.

Labels, titles, names, cate-

gories, many first impressions are made through these whether they are accurate or not. I often wonder how many people don't read Minority Today simply because of its name. Often people miss out on what we publish because they don't feel a connection to it.

I have been labeled a Minority. I have yet to come to a resolution on whether that is a good thing. I'm not going to get into any debate regarding this issue, but I do feel, at times, that it is more of a hindrance than anything else. At times, I am ignored and other times, I am focused on because of this.

I feel that whatever title I choose to have should accurately reflect what I am. The title of our publication should also accurately describe its intentions and content.

At the beginning of the year, when Minority Today published its first issue of the year, Avian Carrasquillo, the editor in chief, wrote a mission statement that was published in our October Issue. It describes what our paper is about. I now feel our title does not reflect what this publication is trying to accomplish and what it produces.

"When the term minority is applied a lot of people assume the term is referring to certain ethnic

groups, but by definition the term minority has a greater meaning. According to the American Heritage Dictionary a minority is a racial, religious, or other group different from the larger group of which it is part. Here at Eastern we are all individuals that belong to groups different from the larger community that makes up Eastern Illinois University. By saying we are a "minority today" means we may consist of groups with differences in culture, religious beliefs, sex, sexual orientation, or unique beliefs. We the student body at Eastern Illinois University are truly a melting pot. We at Minority Today exist to serve as a voice to all minority groups here on campus. That is why we are best reflected in our motto "Bringing you cultural diversity."

I concluded that, based on this definition, we shouldn't be titled Minority Today. Our title should reflect the diversity that is visible at Eastern.

Everyone on this campus has a difference in combination of culture, religious beliefs, sex, sexual orientation, age etc. We strive to look at those characteristics that make us unique and write about what influences everyone on campus. This allows for a very broad spectrum from which we can draw stories and readers from. It's what makes up our community.

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*This is a survey with a few question that we we would like to be answered. We couldn't think of anyone better than our readers as those who should answer them. Our primary concern is the name of our publication. We would like to know your opinion is. Should we even change our name at all? We're open to suggestions.*

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# Student radio will bring 'edge' to announcements

by Lea Erwin  
Staff writer

There will be many changes ahead for the future of radio this fall.

Charleston's 104.3 WCBH FM "The Party" will no longer play on television Channel 4, the student announcement channel in the University Housing units. Instead, a new radio station run by students entitled "The Edge" will be replacing it.

The student announcement channel will remain the same but instead of the background music being played from "The Party" it will be from "The Edge."

On May 1, WCBH programming will be stopped and for 24 hours and in between there will be transitional music. Then at 5 p.m. Friday will be the premiere of the new student run radio station "The Edge."

When students return in the fall, Eastern will have its own radio station and its own version of Top 40 programming. It will consist of popular rock and hip hop/R&B. "Although 'The Edge' does not have to be strictly Top 40, it will be what the students want, that is

of promotions to get the name out. "We hope to get a lot of people with good ideas for good music," said Klean.

Tim Brennan will manage "The Edge" in the fall and he said, "it is all student run and it is all about the students and what they want, that is the basis for it."

"As with any new enterprise, we have kinks to work out. This summer we will be promoting it and by the fall we will be very active on and around campus," Sailors said.

One of the major opportunities "The Edge" will be promoting is a chance for any student on campus to volunteer to

learn all the aspects that go into an actual commercial radio station. "This is an opportunity for students who want to just play their music or for students who want to make a career in radio," said Sailors.

The requirements for this opportunity is that students need to sound professional on air, said Sailors. Interested students should complete an application and make an



Jillian Klean will run "The Edge" as the summer station manager.



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In addition to some of the routine effects of traveling abroad, such as culture shock, students traveling during the current political unrest are advised to take extra precautions.

During their meeting, students traveling abroad examined specific scenarios they may encounter, and discussed how they would react if the situation arose. One scenario students discussed is how they would react if someone in Germany asked them how they felt about the war with Iraq. The student's consensus was to decline entering a political debate with strangers in order to avoid any further controversy.

Despite offering an affordable opportunity for study overseas, not many students at Eastern have taken advantage of it. Even though the number of students planning to study abroad during the next year has increased from previous years to approximately 20, Eastern still depends on word of mouth from students, Krischon said. Eastern is a comfortable community, she said. "It is a challenge for many students to step out of that community."

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our main objective," said Rick Sailors, director of radio-tv center. He also said that students will be able to request music through voting, calling and e-mailing the station.

"The Edge" will start this summer and will be run by Jillian Klean, the summer station manager. She has been at Eastern for four summers now, and she plans to focus on a lot

audition tape with a "hip, intelligent sound." The station will train students on the technical side.

If this opportunity is not enough, there is a second radio program in the making. The name is undecided. But this new eclectic station will be separate from "The Edge." It will allow any student volunteer, to play any music, comedies or talk shows for

## Study Abroad

# Students can enjoy cross cultural adventure

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Stevenson and into apartments with their new friends.

"I haven't had any problems with students at Eastern," Lloyd said. "People do take sports much more seriously here, though."

Even though Umeda, Tran and Lloyd have not had any serious problems with students, there is one problem that many students will encounter while traveling abroad - culture shock.

At a meeting for students planning

to study abroad, EIU counselor Bud Edwards defined culture shock as a psychological disorientation due to being in a different culture. Some of the symptoms include boredom, depression, avoiding social situations, or loss of one's sense of humor, according to a handout Edwards distributed at the meeting. Language problems, cultural differences, and value conflicts are some of the ways culture shock can be triggered, he said.

## Visual Dialect

# Art exhibit tackles serious issues

by Kerry-Ann Malcolm  
Staff writer

A group of students got a chance to exhibit their paintings Tuesday in a show called Visual Dialect.

The show consisted of the work of seven students from Painting IV and V. The classes are taught by Eastern Professor Christopher Kahler, who has been organizing the show for four semesters.

The show, which had an audience of about 80 in its first hour, consisted of the students' best work from the past semester. The paintings cover a wide range of social themes that the students have devised on their own.

"Each semester, there's always a different feel," Kahler said. "It depends on the response of the students."

"Each student is responsible for his or her own theme," Kahler added.

The students definitely took advantage of this liberty since this semester's show covered controversial topics like racial stereotypes, social conformation and eating disorders.

The students also got the chance to decide on the title of each show. Previous shows have had titles like "From Floor to Ceiling," "Figure This," and last semester's "Five."

The title of this semester's show, "Visual Dialect" came from the students' desire to present painting as a visual language.

Chris Wille, whose art had been in the exhibition in a previous semester, is doing four invasive pieces appropriately centered on the idea of how voyeuristic present day society and popular culture has become.

"I work a lot with the voyeurs of society," Wille said. "It deals with the political outlook of our society and what we watch."

Wille was concerned about the contribution of all the reality TV shows and how invasive they are.

"I hate them all," he joked. "I only watched 'Joe Millionaire' because my girlfriend likes it."

Two of his three-dimensional paintings were altered replicas of the male and female genitalia surrounded by a "peeping Tom" sensibility.

The other two were more anatomy-based with images of the bladder and the kidney.

At face value, Theresa Rose's works may seem a little less abrasive since it contains one of society's most recognizable icons, Barbie.

But like the true artist she is, Rose added an alternate twist to this seemingly perfect icon. Unlike all the different variations of Barbie we have all come to know like Malibu Barbie, Rose added a taste of reality. There was Bulimic Barbie, Suicide Barbie, Domestic Violence Barbie and Addict Barbie.

Domestic Barbie had a striking black eye; on the background of this

picture is the Serenity Prayer, a traditional catholic prayer, which is designed to give inner strength to anyone who feels like they are apart of a situation, which they have no control over.

"You can get yourself out of any situation," Rose said.

Bulimic Barbie came with her own feature like the real thing, it said, "I come with my very own Ex-Lax." She also had scars on her two first fingers, reminiscent of those on real bulimics who use those fingers when they throw up.

Addict Barbie had a nose bleed and suicide Barbie was shown lying in a pool of her own blood.

Rose said she chose Barbie as her theme because, "no one's really perfect."

The works of Nathaniel "Nam" Clark were no less controversial as they were a series of paintings, which dealt with a variety of racial stereotypes that have survived through the 20th century.

Clark's neo-expressionist inspired pieces takes traditional black stereotypes and vividly presents them in painting. Clark said he was inspired by Kerry James Marshall, one of the most influential black painters in the country.

Jason Bly uses classical themes as a foundation for his paintings. He added a contemporary twist to his works, which deals with old stories and traditional fables.

"I am really interested in doing classical art," he said.

Pete Brodeski's paintings take a more individual theme, they deal with personal events that have influenced his life.

His works included "Intensifying Intimacy" and "An Introduction to Front Row Parking" among others.

Brodeski said his work was "more about a documentation of specific events that have shaped my life."

Mike Harvey's works explore the idea of life and death and how death can sometimes be a symbol of a new beginning.

"Invasion" is a piece he said that was inspired by his grandfather who had leukemia.

Ryan Vila's paintings take a more light-hearted look at serious issues like love, race and stereotype.

Overall, the seven-person group presents a diverse and colorful view of their artistic talent, creativity and imagination.

"It was my hope for students to develop pride in their work," Kahler said of the wide assortment of themes in the works.

Each artist had different reasons and influences behind their works and Visual dialect was the perfect media through which they could be presented.

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However, adjusting to a new culture is often not the most difficult part of traveling abroad, Edwards said. Often it is re-entering one's own culture again that causes students difficulty. Upon arriving back at Eastern students can attend a re-entry orientation with other returning students to assist them in readjusting and to discuss their experiences overseas, he said.

In addition to some of the routine effects of traveling abroad, such as culture shock, students traveling during the current political unrest are advised to take extra precautions.

During their meeting, students traveling abroad examined specific scenarios they may encounter, and discussed how they would react if the situation arose. One scenario students discussed is how they would react if someone in Germany asked them how they felt about the war with Iraq. The student's consensus was to decline entering a political debate with strangers in order to avoid any further controversy.

Despite offering an affordable opportunity for study overseas, not many students at Eastern have taken



# Concert fee brings major acts to EIU

by Jesse Wu  
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Before the concert fee was approved last spring, the last big name act was Carrot Top.

The four years of inactivity between spring of 1998 and the first concert fee-funded concert only sparked interest at the beginning of fall semesters during family weekends.

"My first three years here... my first year they had the Turtles, it's like a '60's band for family weekend. The second weekend they had Three Dog Night. And then, my junior year, they had Cirque EOS," said Caleb Judy, UB Chair.

This year Univeristy Board has had Lucky Boys Confusion, Jeff Foxworthy, Everclear, Counting Crows and Dave Chappelle.

They were all booked to perform at Eastern this school year, and all of the acts were made possible because of the \$5 concert fee Eastern students pay every semester.

The UB booked different acts to perform at Eastern.

"We don't want to hit the same audience every single time," said Judy.

Judy has served on several positions for the UB, and has continuously worked on the issue of diversity.

"When I started, we only did about 20 programs a year. Now we do about 80."

Additionally, the UB began co-sponsoring activities this year with other Recognized Student Organizations (RSO). Student Government will facilitate relationships with RSOs next year too, said Judy.

Diversity is a concern among all universities, from the 6,100 student population at Bradley University to the 38,291 students enrolled at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Carla Daniels, advisor of the University Union Board at Western Illinois University, was proud of her concert committee.

"It went well this year. I think they stepped out of their boundaries, went out of their comfort zone," Daniels



Counting Crow's lead singer Adam Duritz performs at Lantz Arena. The Counting Crows are one of the bands that performed at Eastern this year. The concert fee also brought Jeff Foxworthy, Dave Chappelle will perform at Lantz Arena on Friday

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said. "Diversity improved greatly."

Like Eastern, WIU is a mid-sized school, with an enrollment of about 14,000 students. WIU, like most other universities, also adopts a division of labor system.

A separate committee is drawn up to handle each different issue of a student activity organization. For example, the UB at Eastern is divided into 10 different committees, one of which is called the concerts committee.

The Eastern UB concerts committee is independently funded by students' \$5 concert fees paid each semester.

A \$5 per semester fee had the support of 79 to 80 percent of the student body, as previously stated in the Nov. 6, 2001 edition of *The Daily Eastern News*.

"Your concert fee is a good idea," said Don Castle, advisor of the the Student Programming Council at Southern Illinois University

Carbondale. Daniels supports the concert fee, too.

Bradley University has a similar \$9 fee.

However, SIUC, Bradley, University of Illinois at Chicago and UIUC all have larger arenas with bigger budgets to bring the most popular acts to their respective towns.

Ja Rule has been booked at the SIU Arena. Bradley is located in Peoria, and Cher has performed at the Peoria Civic Center. UIUC is less than one hour away, but Champaign-Urbana's Assembly Hall has held events ranging from Lord of the Dance to Pearl Jam in the past six weeks.

Illinois universities have worked with the hand they have been dealt, and Eastern's concerts committee has been cleaning the table — thanks in part to the concert fee, which guarantees \$100,000 to be spent on concerts only.

The UB 2003 budget was \$186,641, and the UB is requesting \$252,767 for 2004.

"We know our limitations, so we won't go and look for something out of our budget," said Daniels. WIU's main focus now is on "homegrown programming," which utilizes and creates resources on campus.

WIU's 2003 budget did not have a set budget, but it ranged from \$160,000 to \$210,000.

WIU, like Eastern, does not have any other venues in their town to hold large-scale events in. Concert productions, the committee that handles concerts at WIU, brings one act to campus each semester.

Bradley University also brings one act to campus each semester. Ludacris performed in front of an almost sellout crowd this semester, and Everclear yielded about 1,600 fans to the university's Robertson Memorial Fieldhouse, which can hold 2,800 audience members.

The UB sold 2,447 Counting Crows tickets out of a possible 3,689, and they are expecting to sell out of all 3,639 Dave Chappelle tickets.

For those that remain unsatisfied with the UB and the concerts committee, Donna Fernandez, UB concerts coordinator, offers a few words in support of entertainment on campus:

"Students always complain that there's nothing to do in Charleston except for drink, and this is something to do that's not drinking," Fernandez said. If we didn't have anything to do, I think they would notice." He added: "I think people don't notice that it's here, but I think people would definitely notice that it wasn't here."

Students can voice their opinions at open meetings held every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Arcola-Tuscola room in the Union; call 581-5117; e-mail university-board@hotmail.com;

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# Kindred duo surrenders to love & music

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Kindred's debut album is a soul-filled expression, feminine day force meeting masculine night force, strength and sensitivity coexisting within a divine collaboration sprung from love. Philadelphia duo Kindred makes the music of two who have become one, music with enough soul power to light all of our ways.

Kindred is comprised of Fatin and Aja Dantzer, singer, songwriters whose intimate, progressive, and spiritual view of the world is the common expressed in their songs. Husband and wife partners,their work can be likened to that of a modern-day Ashford & Simpson, another trailblazing duo who soulfully spoke on the joys and challenges of black love; Kindred's sound is steeped in the urban neosoul groove of the city of Philly, which sprang friends and colleagues The Roots, Musiq Soulchild and Jill Scott.

The group through some transitions in the band and as individuals and performers, have started drawing fans, and have gained some respect throughout the city, and the country. Philadelphia being such a dominant presence of soul music, some of their

friends were able to put their names in the right place, speak on their behalf and make them look good. This led people to want to come and see Kindred. In fact, with some help from Jill Scott's persuading Hidden Beach president Steve McKeever signed the couple group to recording deal after checking out one of their performances.

Kindred's first single "Far Away" is moving up the charts, but Kindred is not a one hit wonder. Kindred's debut album has many other good songs like "What Happens," which addresses the topic of the people being silent about today's problems. Kindred sing "You see I tried to ignore it but it got to loud to turn away. People crying out for answers but I found myself without saying nothing."

The funky "Spread The Word," which express the struggle of youth living in the ghetto. "When the party's over it's over it's back to me. When the liquor's gone and I'm sober and my high is sleep I think about it, myself, my life, my love, my dreams. What I'm gonna do, how I'm going to eat. I sleep and breathe and bleed the life of pure ghetto breed, desert eagle the malnourished rhyme spitters. Then under the stairs people I'm grit covered and lethal a

sick gutterly street youth." Kindred shows their lyrics have a message as well as something you can groove to. "Rhythm of Life" is an up-tempo song that will definitely get your body moving in the club.

The strength of Kindred comes from the melding of the individual traits of both Fatin and Aja, as well as their abiding love for their craft and each other. "It came together when we both came together," says Fatin of the success that he and Aja are witnessing now as Kindred. Kindred debut album "Surrender To Love" is in stores now.

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